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TO: Administration Committee

DATE: September 3, 2014

FR: Executive Director

W.I. 1124

RE: Funding Agreement Amendment – Regional Goods Movement Plan: Alameda County Transportation Commission (\$300,000)

This memorandum seeks Committee approval to enter into an amendment to a Funding Agreement between MTC and the Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) to continue work on the Regional Goods Movement Plan. In April 2014, MTC and ACTC entered into a Funding Agreement in the amount of \$100,000 to provide ACTC with funds to initiate the regional goods movement plan. This amendment would bring the total Funding Agreement to \$400,000.

Background

MTC staff is closely coordinating the update to the Regional Goods Movement Plan with ACTC's countywide goods movement planning effort. In 2013, ACTC competitively procured a consultant, Cambridge Systematics, to develop a county goods movement plan for Alameda County and to support an ongoing goods movement collaborative. Because MTC was anticipating updating the Regional Goods Movement Plan, the procurement and contract included an optional task to conduct regional goods movement planning. MTC was part of the selection committee.

Given the major role the transportation network in Alameda County plays in the region's goods movement system, and the fact that goods flow across county and even regional boundaries, the two efforts must be closely integrated. The integration and simultaneous work on the regional and the countywide plans will ensure consistency in the county and regional work, maximize resources, and allow stakeholders to participate in one integrated effort. The outcomes of the work will be two distinct planning documents – an Alameda Countywide Goods Movement Plan and a Regional Goods Movement Plan.

Staff briefed the Planning Committee on the goods movement planning work in March and June of this year, and will continue to update the Planning Committee as the plan advances. To date, the majority of the work has focused on establishing a vision and goals for the project, analyzing baseline conditions and trends, and identifying trends and opportunities based on the analysis and stakeholder interviews. Staff and/or the consultant team have conducted numerous meetings with stakeholder groups to discuss their issues and needs related to goods movement. The stakeholders have included industry groups and the business community, shippers and receivers, logistics service providers, trucking firms and organizations, labor, community and social justice groups, environmental and public health organizations, the county congestion management agencies, and the Partnership Technical Advisory Committee. The project team will continue to engage these stakeholders, as well as additional stakeholders, on an ongoing basis over the course of the project.

The next steps of the project are to conduct a detailed needs assessment and identify strategies to support the vision and goals for the goods movement system. The various strategies will be evaluated and refined to create final recommendations for projects, programs and policies. The strategies are expected to include infrastructure, operational and institutional strategies. The Draft Regional Goods Movement Plan is anticipated to be complete next summer and finalize at the end of 2015. The funds provided under this proposed Funding Amendment are expected to take ACTC's consultant through development of draft strategies for the Plan.

Recommendation

Staff recommends this Committee authorize the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and enter into a Funding Agreement amendment with ACTC in the amount of \$300,000 to continue work on the regional goods movement plan.


Steve Heminger

REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Summary of Proposed Funding Agreement Amendment

Work Item No.:	1124
Organization:	Alameda County Transportation Commission, Oakland, CA
Work Project Title:	Regional Goods Movement Plan
Purpose of Agreement:	To develop an update of the Regional Goods Movement Plan and support the ongoing goods movement collaborative
Brief Scope of Work:	Development of an update of the Regional Goods Movement Plan, including analysis of the existing goods movement system, trends, and issues and opportunities, and recommendations for projects, programs and policies to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the goods movement system while reducing impacts on communities. The agreement also includes support for extensive stakeholder engagement.
Cost Not to Exceed:	\$100,000 (Existing Agreement) \$300,000 Amendment Total: \$400,000
Funding Source:	General Fund
Fiscal Impact:	\$300,000 is included in the FY 2014-15 agency budget.
Motion by Committee:	That the Executive Director or his designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a funding agreement amendment with ACTC to continue development of the Regional Goods Movement Plan as described above and in the Executive Director's Memorandum dated September 3, 2014, and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside funds (\$300,000) from the FY 2014-15 Agency Budget for this purpose.
Administration Committee:	<hr/> Adrienne J. Tissier, Chair
Approved:	Date: September 10, 2014